



Department of Human Resources & Civil Service

Job Announcement Please Post Conspicuously

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TITLE: **YOUTH ENGAGEMENT SPECIALIST**
(Provisional* Appointment)

SALARY: \$47,964 - \$64,487 annually

LOCATION: Monroe County Department of Human Services

JOB SUMMARY:

This position is responsible for conducting outreach by engaging runaway, homeless, and street youth with the goal of addressing immediate life and safety issues, reducing the risk of sexual exploitation and abuse, reducing and preventing incidents of homelessness, and other issues. Duties involve assisting youth in crisis intervention, problem solving, action planning, and skill building by engaging in 'authentic youth' building through a trauma-informed lens using a system of care framework (comprehensive community-based support that provides family-driven and youth-guided services). The employee reports directly to, and works under the general supervision of, a Senior Youth Engagement Specialist or other higher-level staff member. Does related work as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma PLUS either:

- (A) Graduation with a Bachelor's degree; OR,
- (B) Graduation with an Associate's degree plus one (1) year paid full-time or its part-time equivalent professional** experience developing programming for youth services or direct youth service work, both of which must have involved working with disadvantaged/high-risk youth, such as those that are homeless, suffering from substance abuse disorder, or survivors of violence or sex trafficking, or other disadvantaged situations; OR,
- (C) Three (3) years paid full-time or its part-time equivalent professional** experience developing programming for youth services or direct youth service work both of which must have involved working with disadvantaged/ high-risk youth, such as those that are homeless, suffering from substance abuse disorder, or survivors of violence or sex trafficking, or other disadvantaged situations; OR,
- (D) An equivalent combination of education and experience as defined by the limits of (A), (B) and (C) above.

**Professional, for the purposes of these minimum qualifications, does not include clerical, secretarial, manual labor or similar work.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

This position is subject to a background check for criminal convictions. Convictions will be considered but will not automatically disqualify the candidate. No criminal background check will occur until after a conditional offer of employment has been made, unless required prior to a conditional offer because of the nature of the position or otherwise required by law.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (continued):

Candidates for employment with Monroe County Government will be required to pass a pre-employment drug test. Failure to meet the standards may result in disqualification.

If you are appointed, you will be required to possess a valid license to operate a motor vehicle in New York State or otherwise demonstrate your capacity to meet the transportation needs of the position.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Visit: <https://www.monroecounty.gov/hr-choosemonroe> for more information on our county's generous paid time off, 14 holidays and more.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT:

Applicants must be a resident of Monroe County or a contiguous county at the time of appointment. Contiguous counties are Orleans, Genesee, Livingston, Wayne, and Ontario. Preference may be given to Monroe County residents.

APPLY ONLINE OR SEND CIVIL SERVICE APPLICATION TO:

MONROE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
111 WESTFALL ROAD, RM. 752B
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14620

Posting Date: February 19, 2025

Posting Deadline: March 28, 2025

*The term provisional means that you will be required to take the next Civil Service examination for this title, and place among the top three (3) candidates on the examination list in order to be eligible for permanent appointment.